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ln re <i>i</i>	Applica	tion of: David A. Offord et al.)		
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For:	: Composite Fibrous Substrates Having Carbohydrate Sheaths)	PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The present paper is submitted as a Preliminary Amendment to correct the priority information for this application. In addition to the amendment to the specification discussed herein, this Preliminary Amendment is forwarded with a Supplemental ADS, also reflecting the corrected priority information.

Please amend the application by amending the first paragraph on page 1 of the specification, as indicated in the complete listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.